

ANSWER CALL OF CITY'S NEEDY THOUSANDS

Majority of Those Who Could Give Is Mainstay of Associated Charities.

Merchants Send Clothing

Authorities Let Down Bars and Supply Food and Raiment to All Desperate Applicants—Colored Relief Depot Is Opened.

Contributions for Associated Charities

1. 31	5.00
2. 31	2.00
3. 31	1.75
4. 31	1.00
5. 31	1.00
6. 31	1.00
7. 31	1.00
8. 31	1.00
9. 31	1.00
10. 31	1.00
11. 31	1.00
12. 31	1.00
Total	\$500.17
reviously acknowledged	\$500.17
Total received	\$500.17

Contributions for relief of the unemployed of Richmond are being sent to the Associated Charities. They will be promptly acknowledged, and will be distributed to the needy, without publicity, but with close supervision.

Impressed by the need which the unemployed of Richmond are now facing, the Associated Charities have shown to all among the unemployed, charity. Individuals sent parcels of shoes, clothing and underwear yesterday to the association, and the wants of hundreds of families were filled. Hundreds left the central building at various times through the day, carrying clothing to some, food to others, and food to all who had made known their distress. The clothing was distributed under the supervision of the donors who work with the association. Food and fuel, in such a time of need, are being given to all who are in need. The clothing is being distributed to all who ask, but there might be a mistake now and then, but the association believes that it is worth a dozen mistakes if one need be filled now. There are so many applicants for food and fuel, for clothing and shelter that the association has no time in which to investigate every case, and it is better to chaff from the wheat. If a man is for food, bread is given to him, a woman says that she has children and that they are hungry and cold, and clothing is given her, another comes and says that he has where to lay his head, shelter is ordered him. The bars are down, after all, and food and clothing are being given to all who ask, and there is need for a man or woman or child, to go elsewhere. The Associated Charities can care for all as long as it has funds.

RETAIL STORES EXPECT ENORMOUS CROWD TO-DAY

Shop Early Admonitions Appear Not to Have Been Heeded by Local Peoples.

ARMY OF BELATED SHOPPERS

Stores Will Be Jammed With Persons Anxious to Make Purchases—All Days Report That Business So Far Has Been Exceptionally Good.

Shop early admonitions were evidently not heeded this year by local people, as the shops, stores and markets were crowded yesterday from morning to night with belated shoppers. On every hand, retailers made the statement that business is far better than last year, that was a record-breaker. In many instances the actual cash sales are far in excess of the corresponding periods of other years, while practically all stores are doing an exceptionally large book trade. Purchases, said one prominent merchant, are more substantial this year than usual. Novelties are not moving as fast as could be desired, but the staple lines are more than making up the deficiency. Jewelry establishments, however, are disposing of much stock, with the solid value wares moving briskly to the detriment of the cheaper lines.

BROAD STREET WILL BE SCENE OF BIG CRUSH

Only one more day remains in which to make purchases, and it is feared that the crush to-day on Broad Street will be terrific. The crowd was too large yesterday to be given proper attention by the overworked sales forces, and it is expected that the volume of business to-day will be enormous. While many of the retail stores have done large business, the clothing dealers are experiencing a backward general. The business is said by several to be exceptionally good. A cold snap, however, will be necessary to start some of the lines moving out. Novelties in wearing apparel are selling briskly.

GROCERY AND PRODUCE DEALERS STATE THAT THEIR BUSINESS IS BETTER THAN WAS ANTICIPATED.

The large Broad and Main Street establishments resemble the department stores in the crowds of buyers. In the markets, trade in the green groceries, late vegetables, poultry and other accessories for the Christmas table, is exceptionally brisk. Prices, too, are reasonable, and within the reach of the majority of the people.

RETAIL MERCHANTS ENJOY BIG TRADE

As an indication of the volume of business done during the past few months, Secretary W. A. Clarke, Jr., of the Retail Merchants' Association, has been forced to increase his office force to take care of the business sent in by the members. The association acts as a clearing-house for credits, and from the number of inquiries received, it is believed that big business is being done among the retailers. Secretary Clarke last night stated that he had visited many of the stores during the day, and all had huge crowds, and were apparently doing a good business. He predicted that the balance sheet at the end of the month will show that the volume of sales this year will fully equal, if not exceed, the record of 1913.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON THE FIRST MARKET WAS TURNED OVER TO FLOWER AND CHRISTMAS GREENS DEALERS.

Sixth Street was on both sides for two blocks, a solid mass of color, and the scene fully rivalled that of any day preceding the Christmas season, when the blooms are supposed to be at their best. Cut flowers, potted plants, and all varieties of evergreens were there. Many of the floral designs were of exceptional beauty, showing the taste of the vendors, who do the work themselves.

Arrest Alleged Thieves.

Julia Woodson, colored, was last night arrested on a charge of stealing \$40 from Thomas Brooks.

George Johnson, colored, was arrested by Patrolman Oliver on a warrant charging him with stealing several suits and a hat from Forrest Jackson.

He was forwarded to City Jail this morning.

William Winalow, colored, was arrested by Patrolman Dunn on a charge of being drunk and disorderly and with resisting the officer in the discharge of his duty.



RETAIL STORES EXPECT ENORMOUS CROWD TO-DAY

Shop Early Admonitions Appear Not to Have Been Heeded by Local Peoples.

ARMY OF BELATED SHOPPERS

Stores Will Be Jammed With Persons Anxious to Make Purchases—All Days Report That Business So Far Has Been Exceptionally Good.

Shop early admonitions were evidently not heeded this year by local people, as the shops, stores and markets were crowded yesterday from morning to night with belated shoppers. On every hand, retailers made the statement that business is far better than last year, that was a record-breaker. In many instances the actual cash sales are far in excess of the corresponding periods of other years, while practically all stores are doing an exceptionally large book trade. Purchases, said one prominent merchant, are more substantial this year than usual. Novelties are not moving as fast as could be desired, but the staple lines are more than making up the deficiency. Jewelry establishments, however, are disposing of much stock, with the solid value wares moving briskly to the detriment of the cheaper lines.

BROAD STREET WILL BE SCENE OF BIG CRUSH

Only one more day remains in which to make purchases, and it is feared that the crush to-day on Broad Street will be terrific. The crowd was too large yesterday to be given proper attention by the overworked sales forces, and it is expected that the volume of business to-day will be enormous. While many of the retail stores have done large business, the clothing dealers are experiencing a backward general. The business is said by several to be exceptionally good. A cold snap, however, will be necessary to start some of the lines moving out. Novelties in wearing apparel are selling briskly.

GROCERY AND PRODUCE DEALERS STATE THAT THEIR BUSINESS IS BETTER THAN WAS ANTICIPATED.

The large Broad and Main Street establishments resemble the department stores in the crowds of buyers. In the markets, trade in the green groceries, late vegetables, poultry and other accessories for the Christmas table, is exceptionally brisk. Prices, too, are reasonable, and within the reach of the majority of the people.

RETAIL MERCHANTS ENJOY BIG TRADE

As an indication of the volume of business done during the past few months, Secretary W. A. Clarke, Jr., of the Retail Merchants' Association, has been forced to increase his office force to take care of the business sent in by the members. The association acts as a clearing-house for credits, and from the number of inquiries received, it is believed that big business is being done among the retailers. Secretary Clarke last night stated that he had visited many of the stores during the day, and all had huge crowds, and were apparently doing a good business. He predicted that the balance sheet at the end of the month will show that the volume of sales this year will fully equal, if not exceed, the record of 1913.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON THE FIRST MARKET WAS TURNED OVER TO FLOWER AND CHRISTMAS GREENS DEALERS.

Sixth Street was on both sides for two blocks, a solid mass of color, and the scene fully rivalled that of any day preceding the Christmas season, when the blooms are supposed to be at their best. Cut flowers, potted plants, and all varieties of evergreens were there. Many of the floral designs were of exceptional beauty, showing the taste of the vendors, who do the work themselves.

Arrest Alleged Thieves.

Julia Woodson, colored, was last night arrested on a charge of stealing \$40 from Thomas Brooks.

George Johnson, colored, was arrested by Patrolman Oliver on a warrant charging him with stealing several suits and a hat from Forrest Jackson.

He was forwarded to City Jail this morning.

William Winalow, colored, was arrested by Patrolman Dunn on a charge of being drunk and disorderly and with resisting the officer in the discharge of his duty.

MAY IGNORE POLITICS IN SELECTING MANAGER

Many Believe Employment Bureau Board Will Choose Non-partisan Head.

BOARD OF FIVE QUALIFIES

Takes Oath of Office Before City Clerk August, and Will Meet Next Week to Effect Permanent Organization.

The five men appointed by Mayor A. B. Rife to direct the employment bureau, authorized and provided for by the City Council, qualified yesterday before Ben T. August, City Clerk, the first man to take oath of office being Frank T. Butler. He was followed by Thomas J. Leahy, and John T. Wilson, Frank A. Jones and Robert L. Patman followed in order. The board of five will meet some time next week to organize and to elect a chairman, a vice-chairman, a secretary, a manager and a clerk. The manager and clerk will receive annual salaries of \$1,500 and \$900, respectively. The members of the board are appointed for two years, and are required to meet at least once a month.

Now that the members of the board have been appointed and the arena is cleared for political activity on behalf of certain candidates, the street-corner whealers are explaining how certain men were appointed, and why others were not appointed, and are laying bets as to who will be elected to the two salaried positions.

J. J. Creamer, Inspector in the Gas Department, is an avowed candidate for the position of manager. Joseph E. Dickerson, chief clerk in the Water Department, well known in the Ward, and a Cataline when it comes to sounding warnings, is a receptive candidate. That is to say, as stated by Mr. Dickerson himself, he will accept the position if it is offered to him. There is mention of other possible candidates who are not in the city's employ, but they have not yet come from under cover. The chief fight, at this stage of the battle, it appears, lies between Creamer and Dickerson. Each represents an opposing political faction, and there may be the rub.

NOTED CANDIDATES WILL BE NOMINATED

Mr. Creamer and Mr. Dickerson will be nominated when the bureau meets to organize, but already there is some doubt that either will be elected. The one opposed, Commissioner John Hirsche, when he ran for the position for the Administrative Board, and the other supported him. And because it was understood at the time the employment bureau was created that it was to be distinctly separate from politics, it is confidently believed by many who are familiar with the personnel of the board that it will appoint a man who has no connection with the political game.

If Mr. Dickerson should be appointed as manager he would lose \$300 a year, his salary as chief clerk of the Water Department being \$1,800 a year, while that of the manager of the employment bureau will be but \$1,500. It was stated yesterday that a petition was being circulated on Church Hill requesting that the chief clerk of the Water Department withdraw from the race. Whether Mr. Dickerson will remove himself as even only a receptive candidate because of this alleged petition is not known, but Mr. Creamer said yesterday that he will be in the race to the end.

DENIES HE PROMISED

A report gained currency yesterday that Mr. Dickerson, some time ago, promised Marshall Boyle to support him for appointment to the management when the bureau should be created, and that Mr. Boyle, in return, promised something on Mr. Dickerson's alleged act of bad faith in aspiring to the position himself.

Mr. Dickerson said last night that

Order now for Christmas—HOLSUM Pan Biscuits.

USE EATMOR BREAD
Pure and Wholesome

SAYS BOARD GAVE JOBS TO OWNERS OF PROPERTY

Secretary White, of Machinists' Union, Complains of Alleged Discriminations.

The Administrative Board yesterday received a communication from H. A. White, secretary of Richmond Lodge, No. 10, International Association of Machinists, complaining that members of the lodge applying for employment under the Jones resolution had been turned down, and that employment had been given to men having bank accounts and owning their homes.

Upon receipt of this rather extraordinary letter, Commissioner Folkes moved that the Administrative Board reply to Secretary White, and inform him that employment had been given to deserving people, and that the board had necessarily to rely upon the counsel of other citizens. In the reply it was to be stated also that the board would be delighted to receive the names of other deserving citizens, and also the names of the men with bank accounts and owners of homes who had received employment in preference to those who were without a bank account or home. The resolution was adopted.

Crutchfield to Release 100.

Justice Crutchfield has been receiving hundreds of letters from prisoners of the City Jail during the last few days. The letters tell a most mournful story of days spent in confinement, and each asks that the writer be released on Christmas Eve, and yesterday announced that he would probably pardon about 100 petty offenders on that day.

J. B. Mosby & Co.

Hundreds of last-minute gift suggestions throughout the store.

Fresh Dressed Turkeys, a lb. 22c
Fresh Dressed Chickens, a lb. 18c
3 quarts Cranberries..... 25c

S. Ullman's Son

1820-22 East Main Street.
508 East Marshall Street.

WHISKEY AND MORPHINE

ADDICTIONS CAN BE CURED

Our proposition: "No Cure, No Pay." We will take any case of liquor or drug addiction and guarantee a cure in from ten days to three weeks, according to physical condition of patient. You don't pay us a penny until you know that you are cured. We administer the original Devine treatment, which is the last word that science has to offer for the cure of these diseases. Write for confidential information and references.

Dr. H. L. Devine
Sanitarium
Highland Park, Richmond, Va.

NUMEROUS CANDIDATES FOR OFFICES IN HENRICO

Spirited Races Are Expected In Approaching Election In County Election.

POLITICAL POT IS BOILING

Deputy Sheriff Sydnor, Magistrate Smith and W. M. Millam Rival Candidates for Sheriff's Job—Promise to Make County Politics Hum.

For weeks the political pot in Henrico County has been simmering, but now it is boiling in businesslike fashion, and there seems every indication that the approaching election will be one of the most spirited contests in the county's history.

A triangular contest for the office of sheriff, with these candidates: Webb T. Sydnor, of Varina District, now deputy sheriff; Magistrate R. A. Smith, of Tuckahoe District, and W. M. Millam, prominent businessman, of Fairfield District, promises to be a lively affair. All three of the candidates, it is believed, will poll a large vote.

KEMP IS CANDIDATE FOR TREASURER'S OFFICE

Sheriff L. H. Kemp, incumbent, is candidate for treasurer, to succeed H. L. Hechler, who has announced that he will not enter the race. It is strongly hinted that W. C. Saunders, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, will also enter the race for the treasury. Should he do so, he may prove a strong candidate, although Friends of Sheriff Kemp believe their favorite will win.

Frank T. Sutton, Jr., will stand for re-election as Commonwealth's attorney. T. J. Fletcher, deputy clerk, is being mentioned as a candidate to oppose Commonwealth's Attorney Sutton. No announcement has been made by Mr. Fletcher.

Keen interest will center in the race for the state senatorship. It is stated that the recent annexation has somewhat will enter the race, and formal announcement of his candidacy is expected immediately after adjournment of the extra session of the Legislature, called to consider questions of taxation. Should Gunn enter the race for the state senatorship, it is regarded as certain that Charles W. Throckmorton will again be a candidate for the House, although no formal announcement has yet been made to this effect.

SUNDAY AND FRAYSER WOULD BE COMMISSIONERS

Magistrate H. S. Sunday is a candidate for the office of commissioner of revenue for Varina and Fairfield Districts. W. B. Frayser, incumbent, will be a candidate for re-election. Magistrate Sunday is universally popular, and has many friends who will give him staunch support.

Candidates for the office of Commissioner of Revenue for Brooklyn and Tuckahoe Districts are J. A. Leach, of Brookland District, incumbent, and Caskey Smith, of Tuckahoe District. The race in these districts is likely to arouse considerable interest.

Those in close touch with the political situation in the county declare that the candidates without exception are strong and capable men. As a rule, no act or omission of interest is taken in politics by residents of the county, but from every indication this order will be reversed in the primary next summer and in the election next fall. The recent annexation has somewhat complicated the county political situation. L. O. Wendenburg, chosen as State Senator in the county at the last election, is a resident of Barton Heights, a suburb which became a part of the city by virtue of the annexation decree, and is ineligible for re-election. Treasurer Hechler was a resident of the county prior to the time when the annexation became effective, but is now a resident of Richmond, barred from holding office in the county.



Glasses and Kodaks

Bought as Xmas presents changed after the holidays to suit recipient at full value.

G. L. Hall Optical Co.

"Eyeglass and Kodak Experts."
211 East Broad St.

Fresh Dressed Turkeys, a lb. 22c
Fresh Dressed Chickens, a lb. 18c
3 quarts Cranberries..... 25c

S. Ullman's Son

1820-22 East Main Street.
508 East Marshall Street.

WHISKEY AND MORPHINE

ADDICTIONS CAN BE CURED

Our proposition: "No Cure, No Pay." We will take any case of liquor or drug addiction and guarantee a cure in from ten days to three weeks, according to physical condition of patient. You don't pay us a penny until you know that you are cured. We administer the original Devine treatment, which is the last word that science has to offer for the cure of these diseases. Write for confidential information and references.

Dr. H. L. Devine
Sanitarium
Highland Park, Richmond, Va.

DID THRIVING BUSINESS WITHOUT HAVING LICENSE

Detectives Find Washington Couple Selling Furs at Ridiculously Low Prices.

George Miller, alias George Alexandria, and Mrs. Alice Miller were yesterday afternoon arrested by Detective Sergeant Willy and Kellam at 718 East Franklin Street on a charge of selling furs and clothing without a license. The arrest followed as the result of questions asked the detectives yesterday morning by Judge D. C. Richardson, of the Hustings Court, who had noticed several advertisements which the people had inserted in local papers and which aroused his suspicions.

The detectives went to the house yesterday afternoon and Detective Kellam succeeded in purchasing a muff and fur neck piece for \$8.50, a remarkable value considering the quality of the fur, according to the police and merchants who also saw the goods. Secretary W. A. Clarke, Jr., of the Retail Merchants' Association, was called to the house by the detectives, and was amazed at the quantity of goods which Miller and his wife had on display. He estimated the fur and clothing as worth several thousands of dollars, and said that the prices asked were ridiculously low.

According to the detectives, Miller has been dealing directly with wholesale furriers in New York City, and from them has secured his stock at greatly reduced prices. Letters found on him by the officers showed that there is considerable competition in supplying the traveling salesmen, such as the furriers, with goods. The cost of the goods to the minimum. The profits are said to be about from 50 to 100 per cent to the salesman on account of the small cost prices. The fact that no license is paid. Most of Miller's goods seem to have been secured from Hatcher Bros., 31-33 East Twenty-eighth Street, New York.

DETECTIVES ATTRACTED BY LOCAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Advertisements inserted in several local papers several days ago stated that Miller had several sets of furs and fur coats which he desired to sell at a great discount for the country in a few days. The advertisement said that the goods would be sold cheap. They were, according to the officers, who said that fur lined overcoats with astrachan collars were for sale at \$15.

Miller is said to have received goods under the name of Miller, and to have made his shipments under the name of George Alexandria. The police found several orders from out-of-town customers, most of the orders being from persons in North Carolina. Miller placed \$500 as cash collateral with the detectives as bail for his appearance in the Police Court this morning when the case against him will be heard.

\$123.90 FOR BELGIANS

Contributions Continue to Flow in for Relief Fund—Flour On the Way.

Colonel H. M. Boykin, chairman of the State Relief Commission, yesterday received invoices for 15,000 barrels of flour now being moved from Nashville to Norfolk. The flour is being shipped from Nashville to Norfolk. The following cash contributions were received yesterday by Colonel Boykin:

Second Presbyterian Sunday school	..... \$ 52.27
Sussex County committee	..... 25.00
Norton, committee	..... 15.00
Spring Creek Baptist Church	..... 4.45
Miss E. M. Jerdone, Providence	..... 5.00
South Progress subscriptions	..... 2.00
Public school, Disson	..... 1.00
A. L. S., Radcliffville	..... 1.00
Mrs. Frank Marshall, Ashland	..... 50
Total	..... \$123.90

Reports Auto Stolen.

Dr. I. T. Gorsline, 1024 West Main Street, last night reported to the police that his Ford touring car had been stolen from before the residence at 2309 Hanover Avenue about 9 o'clock last night. He had not yet been able to locate the machine at an early hour this morning.

Open Till 10 o'Clock This Evening.

The Quick Service Gift Store



WE'LL DELIVER FREE to anybody, anywhere, Gift things with the Berry label.

Things for Men.
Things for Boys.
Things for Girls.
Things for Women.
The Berry label means "sterling."

Albert Stein
Cor. Fifth and Broad Streets.

CHILDREN'S SCHOOL SHOES \$1

ALBERT STEIN
Cor. Fifth and Broad Streets.

Office FURNITURE
at
SYDNOR & HUNDLEY'S

Sacrifice Sale of Grape Fruit

FOR TO-DAY ONLY

at 4c each

Come and get all you want.

Union Stores' Bargain Basement

Seventh and Franklin.

All sorts of Groceries, Canned, Cigars, etc.

The Flavor, Food Value and Cleanliness

---of---

Nolde Bros.' Tip-Top Bread

Merits Your Choice. Try It To-Day

Rayo Makes Reading A Pleasure

THE full mellow glow of the Rayo Lamp rests on your eyes and makes reading a pleasure. The absence of glare and harshness will be a distinct relief to you. It is this quality that causes scientists to recommend the soft light of the oil lamp. The Rayo LAMP is the highest point of perfection in oil lamps. No glare, no flicker, correct light always.

Rayo Lamps are easy to light and care for. Inexpensive—yet the best light at any price.

Your dealer will be glad to show you the Rayo.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY

Washington, D. C. (NEW JERSEY) Charlotte, N. C.
Norfolk, Va. BALTIMORE Charleston, S. C.
Richmond, Va.